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SUBJ: PRESS INTERVIEW BY ERITREAN INSURGENT LEADER

1. LOCAL AMHARIC LANGUAGE NEWSPAPER SEPT 3 STATED, "IN INTERVIEW GIVEN TO ARAB NEWS, A SAUDI NEWSPAPER, ISAYAS AFEWORK, LEADER OF EPLF, CONFIRMED TO HIS PETRO-DOLLAR MASTERS THAT HIS NARROW NATIONALIST GROUP ARE NOT FOLLOWERS OF MARXIST-LENINIST IDEOLOGY. ISAYAS STATED THAT HE HAD CLEARED ALL SUSPICISION SAIDU LEADERS HAD OF HIS GROUP REGARDING THIS POINT. HE ALSO PROMISED THEM TO FIGHT EXPANSION OF MARXIST-LENINIST IDEOLOGY IN REGION AND ADDED THAT SOMALIA AND SUDAN ARE HELPING HIS GROUP TO OVERTHROW ADDIS ABABA MARXIST GOVERNMENT."

2. ABOVE QUOTE SEEMS SO OUT OF CHARACTER FOR AFEWORK THAT EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE SOME INDICATION OF WHAT WAS ACTUALLY SAID.

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